

I'm sure someone and some people who are interested in that legislation would have considered that they didn't try to work it out themselves. In a sense then, you see, they bound those people to talk about it. It was binding arbitration. I think this is a good consumer bill. It's really, if you think about it, it's giving people a chance who might not have a chance otherwise if this kind of law didn't exist. You can work around the issue in many ways. You can call it a lot of things, but I think what it does, it helps the system function a lot better and it provides another system of checks and balances that don't now exist and it means that we can do a lot better job if something should have to get to the courts and it forces people to try to work things out without exercising the system I think at a lot greater cost. So I would hope we'd all seriously consider and vote in favor of LB 520.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Mr. Clerk, do you have something to read in?

CLERK: Madam President, new bills. (Read LB 1021-1028 by title for the first time as found on pages 323-35 of the Legislative Journal.)

Madam President, in addition I have a request from Senator Marsh to add her name to 754; Senator Hall to 988; Senator Higgins to 276 and Senator Labedz to 988 and Senator Rogers to 306 which is a constitutional amendment.

SENATOR LABEDZ: No objections, so ordered.

CLERK: Finally, I have hearing notices from Business and Labor for January 22 and from Appropriations on January 23. That is all that I have, Madam President.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Madam Chairman, Chairwoman, Chairperson, I would move that we recess...

SENATOR LABEDZ: Speak up, Mrs. Higgins. You've never been at a loss for words.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Recess until one-thirty.